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SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) CONSENSUS ON MILITARY ACTIVITIES

REF: STATE 169482

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: THE C-24 ADOPTED THE "MILITARY ACTIVITIES" TEXT BY CONSENSUS FOLLOWING ACCEPTANCE OF

AMENDMENTS WHICH SIGNIFICANTLY IMPOROVED IT. THESE CHANGES AND THE GUAM TEXT POSITION US TO OBTAIN AN IMPROVED GUAM RESOLUTION AT THE 32ND GA. FORRESTER (AUSTRALIA) WAS PARTICULARLY HELPFUL, ESFANDIARY (IRAN) ACTIVE AND VOCAL, THE INDIAN AMENDMENT CRUCIAL AND SALIM'S LEADERSHIP AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IN OBTAINING THE CANGES. USUN HAS EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT THE COINCIDENCE OF VIEWS ON THIS IMPORTANT MATTER OF PRINCIPLE -- AND APPRECIATION OF TACTICAL VIRTUOSITY, WHERE APPROPRIATE -- AND BELIEVES THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER SOME EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION IN CAPITALS. END SUMMARY.

- 2. AT THE AUGUST 3 MEETING OF THEC-24 (CHAIRMAN SALIM, TANZANIA) ANNOUNCED THAT A CONSENSUS HAD BEEN REACHED ON THE "MILITARY ACTIVITIES" TEXT (A/AC.109/L.1180). HE ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS (ADDITIONS OR CHANGES IN BRACKETS):
- -- THE FIRST SENTENCE OF PARA 1 NOW READS AS FOLLOWS: "HAVING STUDIED THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO MILITARY ACTIVITIES AND ARRANGEMENT BY COLONIAL POWERS IN TERRITORIES UNDER THEIR ADMINSTRATION BRACKETS AND RECALLING ITS DECISION OF 13 DECEMBER 1976 ON THE TEN BRACKETS, THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE REMAINS CONVINCED THAT SUCH ACTIVITIES AND ARRANGE-CONFIDENTIAL.

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MENTS BRACKETS IN A NUMBER OF INSTANCES BRACKETS (REPLACES COULD) CONSTITUTE AN IMPEDIMENT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION... (CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 1514)(XV);

-- DELETE FINAL SENTENCE OF PARA 1 WHICH READ:
"IT IS ALSO TRUE, HOWEVER, WITH RESPECT TO COLONIAL
TERRITORIES WHERE STRATEGIC MILITARY BASES ARE
MAINTAINED TO SERVE THE GLOBAL INTERESTS OF THE
COLONIAL POWERS AND IN CERTAIN CASES WHERE THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRITORIES CONCERNED
IS HAMPERED, OWING TO THE EXTENSIVE ALIENATION OF
LAND FOR MILITARY PURPOSES AND THE DIVERSION OF
HUMAN RESOURCES FROM PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITIES;

- -- A NON-SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE IN PARA 6;
- -- REPLACE PARA 11 WITH THE FOLLOWING: "THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE DEPLORES THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE BY COLONIAL POWERS AND THEIR ALLIES OF MILITARY BASES AND OTHER INSTALLATIONS IN THE COLONIAL TERRITORIES UNDER THEIR ADMINISTRATION WHICH IMPEDE

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION AND WHICH ARE INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER AND OF RESOLUTION 1514 (XV). "FOR EASE OF COMPARISON, THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF PARA 11 WHICH THE ABOVE REPLACED: "THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE EXPRESSES ITS DEEP CONCERN AT THE MAINTENANCE BY COLONIAL POWERS AND THEIR ALLIES OF MILITARY BASES AND OTHER INSTALLATIONS IN THE COLONIAL TERRITORIES UNDER THEIR ADMINSTRATION, WHERE SUCH INSTALLATIONS SERVE THE GLOBAL STRATEGIC INTERESTS OF THE POWERS CONCERNED; IT STRONGLY DEPRECATES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AS BEING INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OF RESOLUTION 1514 (XV)."

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3. COMMENT: THESE CHANGES SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE THE MILITARY ACTIVITIES TEXT AND POSITION US TO OBTAIN CONFIDENTIAL

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AN IMPROVED GUAM RESOLUTION AT THE 32ND GA. THE MOST ACTIVE AND HELPFUL MEMBER WAS FORRESTER (AUSTRALIA) WHO CARRIED THE BALL ON THE ABOVE CHANGES. FORRESTER SAID THAT THE AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY DUBEY (INDIA) WAS THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT CON-TRIBUTION TO THE VICTORY AND THAT ACHIEVEMENT OF THIS SATISFACTORY CONSENSUS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT SALIM'S FIRM AND SEASONED HAND AT THE COMMITTEE'S HELM. DIAKITE (MALI) PROVED SURPRISINGLY FLEXIBLE IN THE LASTROUND OF INFORMAL NEGOTIATIONS IN WHICH THE CONSENSUS WAS CEMENTED. ESFANDIARY (IRAN) WAS ALSO AN EXTREMELY ACTIVE AND VERBAL SUPPORTER. MISSOFF ALREADY EXPRESSED OUR SATISFACTION AT THE COINCIDENCE OF VIEWS ON THIS IMPORTANT MATTER OF PRINCIPLE -- AND CONGRATULATIONS FOR TACTICAL VIRTUOSITY WHERE APPROPRIATE -- TO FORRESTER, ESFANDIARY (IRAN), DUBEY (INDIA), HASSAN (INDONESIA), VRAALSEN (NORWAY) AND LAL (FIJI) WHO WAS SYMPATHETIC BUT DID NOT PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE. FORRESTER SAID THAT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE GUAM RESOLUTION AND THE MILITARY ACTIVITIES LANGUAGE, WE ARE WELL ON THE WAY TO A SATISFACTORY OUTCOME OF THE DEBATE ON GUAM IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

4. THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER SOME EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION IN CAPITALS, CITING FORRESTER IN PARTICULAR.
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